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FORTY-SEVENTH
ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE AVON HOME

For Children Found Destitute Within
the Limits of Cambridge

INCORPORATED



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CAUSTIC-CLAFLIN COMPANY
32 BRATTLE STREET
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The following extract from the First Annual Report of the Trustees of the Avon Place Home, gives very briefly the facts connected with the establishment of the Home:—

“On the 30th of May, 1874, the Home was established through the benevolence of Mr. James Huntington, who at that time was able to carry into effect a long-cherished plan by which the comforts of a Home could be furnished to destitute children. After a few months, it was Mr. Huntington's wish to give up the care of the Home, and it was therefore, in November, 1874, established as a Corporation under the laws of Massachusetts. The following persons were appointed by Mr. Huntington to act as Trustees: Rev. Dr. A. P. Peabody, Rev. D. O. Mears, Mrs. B. F. Wyeth, Mrs. H. W. Paine, Mrs. Lovering, Mrs. J. M. Tyler, Mrs. W. T. Richardson, Mrs. Henry Thayer, and Miss Irene Sanger; and they received from him a deed of the estate occupied by the Home on Avon Place valued with the furniture at about \$10,000.00.”

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Dec.	1.	MRS. BELL	Dec.	15.	MISS PALMER

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FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE TRUSTEES OF
THE AVON HOME

The Trustees report to their friends and the public that the work of The Avon Home during the year just closed has been on the same lines as indicated in our report of a year ago. Unemployment has brought a reduction in the incomes of many of the parents and guardians of needy children, resulting in their inability to make good their pledges to us for their children's board. This fact added to the increased number requiring help has made a heavy burden upon our resources. To meet this increased burden our friends have rallied to our aid with commendable generosity. And as present conditions are likely to continue for some time to come we earnestly plead that our work be not forgotten. Annual subscriptions we must have if our work is to continue. They are doubly valuable as they show the spiritual as well as the financial interest of the giver.

The Avon Home is a Cambridge charity pure and simple. For forty-seven years its work has been carried on by Cambridge men and Cambridge women, who in every year have given of their time, strength and money to its service. This work must continue as long as destitute children are found within our city, needing the care which their natural parents are unable to give them. We have faith that the generous-hearted people of Cambridge will continue their substantial support of this charity.

We have to chronicle with sadness that our long-time treasurer, Miss Mary A. Ellis, has been compelled by illness to resign her work as treasurer, which for forty-four years has been so dear to her heart. The Avon Home almost from its beginning has had in Miss Ellis a most consecrated director and advocate of its work. Her never-ceasing activity has brought to its aid men and women who by their gifts and legacies have created a substantial guar-

anty for the charity's future life. We take comfort in the fact that her life and counsel as trustee remain with us.

For a detailed account of the activities of the year we invite a perusal of our General Secretary's report.

For the Trustees,

WM. W. DALLINGER,
President.



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
GENERAL SECRETARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 1, 1921

The fiscal year of The Avon Home closes on the last day of October. From November 1st, 1910 to November 1st, 1911 The Avon Home cared for in its institutional home between 30 and 40 children, ranging in age from 2 to 12 years. From November 1st, 1920 to November 1st, 1921 The Avon Home has cared for, in various ways, 1,282 children ranging from 3 days to 18 years of age. These children are divided as follows: 224 have been taken care of in our boarding homes, 958 are in our Club and Follow-Up work, and 100 are the Infantile Paralysis children. These last we send in groups to the Children's Hospital every Thursday for treatment, and on Friday mornings we send a nurse to visit them in their homes, give the children treatment and instruct their mothers. This we are able to do through the generosity of Cambridge friends of children, each of whom allows his or her automobile to be used for this work one morning a month, and the good that it brings to these children would be hard to estimate. They are now, many of them, in various kinds of apparatus, some in cases and some in braces. They are slowly growing strong and straight, as they could never do if this work which we have now been able to do for three years had not been carried on. The apparatus we pay for, and the parents pay us in small amounts as they are able, as very few of them could pay the full amount at any one time.

As our number of children and the extent of our work increase, so of course our expenses increase. In former years all expenses of the Institutional Home were easily managed, as there were no unexpected or unusual things happening to make extra demands for money. Now the unexpected and the unusual constantly happen and must be met.

We have paid this year for board and clothes \$19,433.69. Of course, the parents help with this as their circumstances

permit, but the unemployment of today makes it very hard for them and for us.

The members of the M. A. D. Club still share our little family of girls whom they visit and help in many ways, always bringing joy and brightness, which is wonderfully good for the family.

We have girls who are learning various trades, those who are taking and those who have taken nurse's training, some



of whom are very successful with their work. We try to teach every girl how to keep house, to cook and sew and mend. Our boys become farmers, accountants, and hold positions of trust in many walks of life, though most of them begin by feeling sure they wish to learn how to make automobiles or run an engine.

The psychopathic child is one of our greatest problems. One little girl eight years old, who is most attractive, became so difficult this summer that the boarding woman could not control her. We tried her with another woman, with no better success. We then talked the case over with an alienist, and finally, by his advice, placed her under obser-

vation. The decision was that she needed to be kept busy every minute with work and play, that any idle time was a menace to her. We are trying this plan, and hope for success.

Every child admitted by us is carefully examined by one of our doctors, and the result of such examination determines the family in which that particular child is placed. After placement, the child is visited regularly by Trustees as well as workers. The parents are encouraged to visit their children every week, and to come often to our office to talk over these visits and the welfare of their children. This we find to be helpful to all concerned, as it makes the parents understand more clearly our great interest in the child who for the time being is ours as well as theirs, and they learn to trust us to know that we can plan best together for the best good of our mutual child.

We are now on the fourth year of our recreational work with a membership of 360 children and many more on the waiting list, only kept there because of lack of room. We are now occupying the entire second floor and one large room on the first floor, beside the larger part of the yard where we have swings, slides, tilts, etc., the money for which was raised by one of our workers, Miss Caryl Peabody. We are very grateful, as it means great joy to the hundreds of children who have met there every afternoon and Saturday mornings all summer. Now that the cold weather has come and our activities must be indoors, we greatly need more room, but this means more expense, which we cannot undertake now without more help. We have a good lending library with a circulation of 525 books; classes in Dancing and Gymnasium, Basketry, Clay Modeling, Knitting and Crocheting, Drawing and Painting. We have added a new piano, which is a great joy. Several of our children are having piano lessons, and the group and community singing is most popular. We have in this department three paid workers and several good volunteers, but our need for more volunteers, both men and women, is very great.

It is one of the most difficult things in the world to interpret one's work as clearly as one can see and know it oneself. If we could make every friend of the children see the many sad and happy things which crowd each week, the emergency calls, the sick and troublesome children who

come to us, and our visits later to those children in our country homes, happy, healthy and learning to do their best, there would be no need of further publicity work. We know that the greatest test of all work is to show service rendered, and that, it seems to me, The Avon Home has shown every year since it was founded in 1874, not in as large measure as we may wish, not as complete service as we long to give, but at least it is a growing service, we hope, not only in numbers but in real blessing to every child and every child's family who comes to us. For we know there can be no child problem which is not a family problem, and no family problem which is not a community service.

EMMA O. STANNARD,
General Secretary.



STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1921

Number of children in care of Avon Home Nov. 1, 1920...	115
Number of children admitted to the care of Avon Home from Nov. 1, 1920 to Nov. 1, 1921.....	79
Number of children readmitted to care of Avon Home from Nov. 1, 1920 to Nov. 1, 1921.....	30
Total number of admissions during the year.....	109
Total number of children in care of Avon Home during year	224
Number of children discharged from care of Avon Home during year	110
Number of deaths during year.....	0
Number of children in care of Avon Home Nov. 1, 1921....	114
In Avon Home boarding homes.....	91
In free homes.....	6
In wage-earning homes.....	5
For whom board is paid in own homes.....	3
Entirely self-supporting.....	3
In Wrentham School for Feeble-minded.....	3
In Massachusetts Hospital School.....	3
Number of infantile paralysis children looked after and taken to hospital clinics for regular treatments.....	100
Number of families for whom application was made from Nov. 1, 1920, to Nov. 1, 1921.....	225
Number of children for whom application was made from Nov. 1, 1920 to Nov. 1, 1921.....	377
Number of families from which children were admitted to care of Avon Home during year.....	57
Numbers of families advised and planned with during year	602
Number of families referred to other societies during year	75
Number of applications pending.....	4
Number of families on follow-up list Nov. 1, 1920.....	270
Number of families added to follow-up list during year..	111
Number of families discharged from follow-up list during year	4
Number of families on follow-up list Nov. 1, 1921.....	377
Total number of children on follow-up list Nov. 1, 1921...	958
Under two years of age.....	31
Between two and fifteen.....	855
Over fifteen years of age.....	72
Number of boys.....	400
Number of girls.....	558
Total number of follow-up visits made during year.....	1,340
Number of mothers for whom convalescent or hospital care has been provided during the year.....	9
In St. Luke's Convalescent Home.....	1
In Milton Convalescent Home.....	4
In hospitals	4

Number of children for whom convalescent care has been provided	8
Number of children for whom hospital care has been provided	22
Number of delicate children given special care in boarding homes	24
With tubercular tendency.....	3
Malnutrition	8
Heart trouble	3
Corea	2
Asthma	1
Other causes	7



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THE TREASURER in account with THE AVON HOME

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1920. November 1.	1921. November 1.
Balance cash on hand from 'old account including amount held for special work \$706 34	By cash paid:—
To cash from year ending October 31, 1921—	Rent \$1,295 08
Proceeds of Avon Club Sale..... \$532 05	Salaries 8,046 90
Contribution from St. John's Memorial Chapel..... 41 61	Travel 89 09
St. Peter's Sunday School 18 00	Clothes 837 19
Christ Church Sunday School ... 20 00	Board 18,355 21
St. James's Church..... 2 00	Rent of Box in Harvard Trust 25 00
Sewing Club, Limited, Mrs. G. P. Cogswell 77 00	Office Supplies 57 95
May Sale 1,456 67	Postage 199 81
Christmas donations 81 75	Printing 354 88
Individual donations 333 00	Hospital and medical care 140 60
Annual subscriptions and donations 460 50	New auto, net cost 311 50
Board from parents and guardians 14,300 13	Maintenance of auto 585 61
Parents for clothing 812 11	Telephone 132 44
Legacies 6,809 78	Christmas gifts 83 45
Income from Permanent Fund 12,716 66	Follow-up 273 44
	Sundries 384 61
	\$31,172 76 6,909 78
	Paid to Committee on Permanent Fund..
	Held for special work \$38,082 54
	Balance to new account 200 00
	\$38,367 60

The undersigned has examined the report of the Treasurer for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1921, and finds it correct, the cash balance of \$285.06, as stated, being in agreement with the books and supported by cash in bank.
November 16, 1921.
EDNA E. WELLS, Accountant.

GIFTS AND LEGACIES MADE TO THE PERMANENT FUND

Cambridge Horticultural Society Trust Fund.....	\$ 531.19
Legacy of Mrs. Lucy C. Tyler.....	200.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary H. Flagg.....	10,000.00
Holly Tree	4,000.00
Mary Cheever Chandler Memorial Fund.....	150.00
Legacy of William Torrey.....	100.00
Donation from Daniel H. Richards.....	100.00
T. B. Mackay Fund.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Clarissa B. Rindge.....	2,500.00
Legacy of Mrs. Anna M. Woodman.....	5,000.00
Gracie A. Smith Memorial Fund.....	500.00
Mary E. Piper Fund.....	500.00
Donation from a Friend.....	2,000.00
Legacy of Moses Wildes, 2d.....	2,000.00
Elizabeth H. Foxcroft Memorial Fund.....	303.82
Helen L. Edmands Memorial Fund.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Caroline A. Wood.....	2,500.00
Legacy of Miss Mary E. Reed.....	172.13
Legacy of Mrs. Eliza P. Wilson.....	500.00
Legacy of Mrs. Emily A. Burleigh.....	500.00
Donation from Francis C. Foster.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Henry R. Glover.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Samuel Longfellow.....	500.00
Legacy of Jonathan W. Bemis.....	500.00
Legacy of Mrs. S. E. W. Brackett.....	5,000.00
Legacy of Miss Harriet A. Hayes.....	50.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary E. Waitt.....	250.00
Legacy of James Mellen.....	1,000.00
John W. and Belinda L. Randall Fund.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Harriet N. S. Fay.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Miss Hannah E. Moore.....	100.00
Legacy of Charles W. Oxford.....	500.00
Legacy of Miss Susie M. Ransom.....	18,020.00
Donation from Mrs. Lucy C. Bemis.....	250.00
Philip Rogers Bennett Memorial Fund.....	500.00
Frances Mary Mackay Fund.....	15,000.00
Legacy of Oliver H. Durrell.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Miss Lydia M. Palmer.....	2,000.00
"In Memory of Mother and Girard".....	100.00
Legacy of Mrs. Julia A. Harding.....	20,000.00
Legacy of Epes Sargent Dixwell.....	5,000.00
Legacy of Isaac W. Danforth.....	5,000.00
Sale of farm at Concord, the gift of James Huntington..	7,125.00
Legacy of Mrs. Fanny B. Lane.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Longfellow Greenleaf.....	4,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Lucia M. Goodnow.....	500.00
Lucy E. Paine Fund.....	10,000.00
Henrietta Parker Whitney Davis Fund.....	2,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Grant Fisk.....	2,500.00

In Memory of Mrs. Caroline P. Bulfinch.....	50.00
Legacy of Miss Jane Chapman.....	200.00
Legacy of A. R. Dearborn.....	558.00
Legacy of James A. Woolson.....	3,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Helen Augusta Porter.....	50.00
Legacy of Mrs. Ellen C. Goodwin.....	100.00
Donations from Morrill Wyman.....	1,200.00
Legacy of Alvin Hayes.....	500.00
Legacy of Mrs. Emmeline J. Smith.....	2,500.00
Legacy of Edward Gerrish.....	8,000.00
Jacob Remick Memorial Fund.....	16,895.03
Legacy of Andrew S. Waitt, in memory of his wife, Mary E. (Belcher) Waitt.....	416.24
"In Memoriam, John H. Sturgis, November 27, 1900—September 10, 1909".....	500.00
Legacy of Frederick K. Stelling.....	1,028.54
Legacy of Mrs. Sarah H. Swan.....	500.00
Legacy of William Taggard Piper.....	5,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Huntington Cooke.....	2,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mehitable C. C. Wilson.....	3,010.00
Legacy of Mrs. Annie Tilton.....	500.00
Legacy of Henry Endicott.....	500.00
Legacy of Mrs. Sarah Hovey Colburn.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Morrill Wyman.....	10,000.00
Legacy of Miss Amelia M. Goodwin.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Miss Esther F. Hannum.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Miss Annie H. Montague.....	500.00
Legacy of Mrs. Sarah D. Munroe.....	1,000.00
Legacy of James J. Myers.....	3,000.00
Phebe Snow Memorial Fund.....	500.00
Legacy of Mrs. Abigail W. Howe.....	1,000.00
Legacy in part of William E. Chamberlin.....	6,000.00
Orin E. Sands Memorial Fund.....	1,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Esther W. Smith.....	5,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary A. Bullock.....	20,000.00
Avon Club Fund.....	2,000.00
Legacy of Miss Irene F. Sanger.....	1,000.00
Sale of personal property at 309 Mt. Auburn Street.....	213.39
Remainder of legacy of William E. Chamberlin.....	1,309.78
Legacy of Mary E. Hartwell.....	500.00
Mary E. Buck Rand Memorial Fund.....	5,000.00
Legacy of William P. Wiggin.....	5,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Sarah P. Wiggin.....	1,000.00

Emergency Fund	500.00
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FORM FOR LEGACY

I give and bequeath to THE AVON HOME, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, the sum of _____ Dollars,
to be used for the general purposes of the Corporation.

THE PERMANENT FUND

Corporation shares (at par).....	\$ 18,300.00
United States Bonds (at par).....	13,750.00
Municipal Bonds (at par).....	19,000.00
Railroad Bonds (at par).....	97,000.00
Telephone and Electric Bonds (at par).....	97,500.00
Deposits in Savings Banks and Trust Companies.....	10,986.64
Real Estate Mortgages.....	4,400.00
Cash in bank uninvested.....	1,053.53
Total productive assets.....	\$261,990.17
69,751 sq. ft. of land on Mt. Auburn Street, Cambridge, estimated	15,000.00
House and land, No. 94 High St., Charlestown.....	2,000.00
	\$278,990.17

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Book value of permanent fund.....	\$278,990.17
Estimated market value of all assets.....	228,000.00

Accounts of the year audited and found correct.

Attest: CHAS. H. MONTAGUE, *Auditor.*

Assets of the Permanent Fund examined and found to agree in aggregate with the foregoing lists.

WILLIAM W. DALLINGER,
CHARLES H. MONTAGUE,
WARREN H. DUNNING,
Committee on the Permanent Fund.

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MISCELLANEOUS DONATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING
NOVEMBER 1, 1921

Donations of clothing of all kinds for children of all ages, beginning with infants, are earnestly solicited. Articles for children from *one to three* are especially needed. If donors would send with their gifts their full name and address, it would greatly assist the clerk in making out the list of donations. It sometimes happens that difficulty in getting the name causes errors and omissions in the list.

Gifts should be sent to The Avon Home Office, 1000 Massachusetts Avenue.

Gifts of clothing, toys and Christmas gifts for the children are gratefully acknowledged from the following:

Abbott, Miss L. H.	Dennen, Mrs. E. J.
Adams, Mrs. L. P.	Derry, Mr. C. T.
Albee, Miss H. M.	Dole, Mrs. H. E.
Alcott, Mrs. J. P. S.	Dole, Miss Louise J.
Allyn, Miss A. C.	Donham, Mrs. Wallace
Ames, Mrs. J. B.	Dudley, Mrs. A. W.
Andres, Mrs. F. H.	Dunning, Mr. W. H.
Anonymous	Durant, Mrs. Henry W.
Bartol, Mrs. J. W.	Durant, Mrs. W. B.
Basket Club	Durant, Mrs. W. B., Jr.
"The Bee"	Dyar, Mrs. C. W.
Bell, Mrs. A. D. S.	Earle, Mrs. W. A.
Bell, Mrs. Stoughton	Edlefson, Mrs. W. F.
Bennett, Mrs. Clarke	Eliot, Mrs. S. A.
Bennett, Mrs. Edward	Ellis, Miss Helen
Bennett, Mrs. J. Q.	Ellis, Miss Mary A.
Miss Bent	Endre, Miss Mabel G.
Berlin, Mrs. V.	Esdaile, Mrs. A. R.
Bill Mrs. Alexander	Fall, Mrs. C. H.
Bill, Miss C. E.	Farley, Miss C.
Mr. Boudier	Farnum, Mrs. Anna M.
Brigham, Everett R.	Field, M. E.
Brigham, Mrs. H. R.	Fish, Mrs. F. B.
Bright, Mrs. Elmer H.	Ford, Mrs. James
Bullard, Miss E. C.	A Friend
Bullard, Mrs. Lawrence	Gannett, Mrs. T. B.
Bullard, Miss Mary L.	Goodridge, Mr. Arthur
Bumstead, Miss Ethel	Goodridge, Mrs. C. F.
Bumstead, Miss Josephine	Goodridge, Dr. F. J.
Burrage, Mrs. William E.	Grandin, Mrs. J. L.
Cambridge Teachers' Club (Miss	Grout, Mrs. E. R.
Brigham's Class, Russell School)	Hall, Mrs. E. A.
Chamberlin, Miss L. M.	Hallowell, Mrs. Rowena
Chapin, Mrs. H. B.	Hammond, Miss E. P.
Cogswell, Miss Margaret	Hammond, Mr. J. W.
Dallinger, Mr. W. W.	Harris, Mrs. W. F.
Davis, Mr. and Mrs. W. M.	Mr. Haskell

- Henderson, Miss Marion
 Hicks, Miss Bessie
 "The Hive"
 Mr. J. Hodges' Sunday-school class
 Horton, Mrs. William E.
 Houghton, Miss A. M.
 Houston, Miss Jeanne
 Howe, Mrs. A. P.
 Howe, Miss Clara
 Howe, Miss S. L.
 Humphreys, Mrs. E. R.
 Humphreys, Mrs. J. S.
 Irving, Mrs. A. S.
 Joel, Mrs. David
 Johnson, Mrs. S. M.
 Jouett, Mrs. F. W.
 Kennelly, Mrs. A. E.
 Kershaw, Mrs. F. S.
 Kings Daughters:
 In-His-Name Circle
 Ladd, Mrs. G. W.
 Ladies Aid Society (Church of
 the New Jerusalem)
 Ladies Benevolent Society,
 (First Church, Universalist)
 Lambert, Mrs. William
 Langley, Mrs. E. F.
 Leighton, Mrs. C.
 Leland, Miss M. E.
 Lewis, Mr. W. H.
 Long, Miss Rosa K.
 Lowell, Mrs. E. O.
 Lull, Mr. Robert W.
 M. A. D. Club
 Miss MacFarlane
 MacIntyre, Miss A. B.
 Magee, Miss L. J.
 Mather, Mrs. M. W.
 Monroe School, Lexington
 Montague, Mr. and Mrs. C. H.
 Moody, Mrs. E. J.
 Moore, Mrs. E. C.
 Mothers' Friendly Club (First
 Church, Congregational)
 Moury, Mrs. L. V.
 Needleworkers' Guild, Boston
 Branch
 Nelson, Miss Lois
 "No-Name Club"
 North Ave. Baptist Church (Miss
 Nelson's class)
 Nowell, Mrs. Clarence E.
 Parker, Mrs. William A.
 Peabody, Miss C. E.
 Peabody, Miss Caryl
 Peabody, Mrs. Charles
 Peabody, Miss Janette
 Peirce, Mrs. B. O.
 Peirce, Miss Emily
 Phoenix, Mr. Spencer
 Piper, Miss Elizabeth B.
 Poor, Miss Lucy T.
 Poor, Miss Mary B.
 Pray, Mr. H. C.
 Prospect Guild
 (Prospect Street Church)
 Randolph, Mrs. M. F.
 Rantoul, Mrs. A. W.
 Raynes, Miss E. F.
 Read, Mrs. H. W.
 Reed, Mrs. A. J.
 Reed, Mrs. Willard
 Reed, Master Willard
 Richards, Mrs. F. J.
 Robinson, Mrs. F. N.
 Roche, Mrs. C. F.
 Rockwell, Miss Grace
 St. James Church School
 Member of St. James Parish
 St. John's Parish House
 St. Peter's Church School
 Saunders, Miss Mildred
 Sears, Mrs. H. D.
 Seavey, Mrs. H. L.
 Sewing Club, Ltd.
 Shaw, Mrs. Mary C.
 Sheffield, Mrs. George
 Shepard Guild
 Smith, Miss Mary E.
 Miss Sparrow
 Spencer, Mrs. C. H.
 Studley, Mr. Frank E.
 Sylvester, Mrs. Clara
 Vaughan, Miss Bertha
 Walcott, Mrs. Charles
 Wales, Miss J. E.
 Ward, Mrs. R. DeC.
 Warren, Mrs. John
 Wentworth, Mrs. G. L.
 Whitton, Mrs. G. R.
 Williams, Mrs. Edward
 Williams, Mrs. J. B.
 Winch, Mrs. J. F.
 Winlock, Miss M. P.
 Wolcott, Mrs. Robert

Women's Alliance	Wyman, Miss Margaret
(St. Peter's Church)	Wyeth, Miss Marion
Women's Home Missionary Society	Miss Wyse
(First Church, Congregational)	Young, Miss Cora
Woodman, Mrs. Walter	Young, Miss Rebecca
Wright, Mrs. C. H.	Young, Mrs. S. E.

AUTOMOBILE SERVICE

The Avon Home is indebted to the following for automobile service, both for transporting the infantile paralysis children to and from the hospital clinics and for taking the special nurse, who visits the children in their homes one day each week.

Mrs. J. Q. Bennett	Miss V. M. Morse
Mrs. E. P. Boggs	Mrs. N. C. Nash
Mrs. E. J. Dennen	Miss Bertha Vaughan
Mrs. W. F. Edelfson	Mrs. S. B. Whiting
Miss Anna Griswold	Mrs. E. R. Williams
Mrs. F. Lowell Kennedy	Mrs. J. B. Williams
Mrs. F. S. Kershaw	Mrs. S. E. Young

Miss Jennie Brooks, who has cared for the children going to and from the hospital for three years, felt that she should have a rest, and she surely has earned one. We have been very fortunate in securing Mrs. R. W. Atwater for that volunteer position. She goes every Thursday morning to the hospital with the children, and we and the children are most grateful to her.



BY-LAWS OF THE AVON HOME

ARTICLE I.

Name.—The name of this Corporation shall be "THE AVON HOME." Its object shall be to benefit "Children found destitute within the limits of the city of Cambridge, as existing in 1874."

ARTICLE II.

Membership.—The members of this Corporation shall be twenty-three in number, to be called Trustees. Vacancies shall be caused by death, resignation, or by failure to attend for twelve consecutive months some meeting of the Corporation, without excuse satisfactory to the Trustees. When such failure occurs, the Trustees shall by vote record the fact and declare the membership vacant. Vacancies shall be filled by the unanimous vote of the remaining Trustees. This article of the By-Laws shall not be altered, except by the unanimous vote of the Trustees.

ARTICLE III.

Officers.—The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Clerk, a Committee of Three for the care of the Permanent Fund (one of whom shall be the President), to be chosen by ballot from the Trustees at the annual meeting, or at some adjournment thereof, and to hold office for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified.

They shall severally perform the customary duties of such officers; and the President, or a committee previously appointed for the purpose, and Treasurer shall report at the annual meeting. The accounts of the Treasurer and of the Committee for the care of the Permanent Fund shall be audited at least once every year. The Trustees may, from time to time, appoint committees to aid in the transaction of business.

At the annual meeting the Trustees shall elect, to serve till the next annual meeting, a Board of Advisors to consist of five or more persons, not Trustees, who may be called upon to consult and advise with the Trustees, and may be requested to meet with any of their committees or to assist in their work.

ARTICLE IV.

Meetings.—The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held on the second Friday in October, at such place and hour as the President and Clerk may appoint. Regular meetings shall be held every month at some convenient place. Special meetings may be called by the President or any two Trustees, upon two days' notice, to be given by the Clerk. Eleven Trustees shall constitute a quorum at the annual meeting, and seven Trustees at any regular or special meeting.

ARTICLE V.

Seal.—The seal of the Corporation shall be circular in form, with the inscription, "THE AVON HOME, CAMBRIDGE, 1874," and shall be kept by the Clerk.

ARTICLE VI.

Amendments.—These By-Laws, with the exception of Article II, may be amended by a majority vote of all the Trustees at any annual meeting, or by the unanimous vote of the Trustees at any regular or special meeting, provided that a notice of the proposed amendment has been inserted in the call for such meeting.

RULES OF THE AVON HOME

I. Children admitted to the care of the Home shall live in private families under the supervision of the General Secretary.

II. Except in cases of urgent necessity, no child shall be admitted to the care of the Home without the consent of one member of the Committee on Admission, or should there not be one member in the city, of any two Trustees, and a certificate of examination from the Visiting Physician. Each case, accompanied by a brief statement of the circumstances, shall be reported to the Trustees at their next regular meeting.

III. No child in the care of the Home shall be allowed to visit friends or relatives unless under distinctly favorable conditions, approved by one member of the Committee on Admission, and the General Secretary, and reported in writing to the Trustees at their next meeting.

IV. In case of death, no child shall be taken from its boarding home for burial without a religious service being held there, except with the consent of one of the Committee on Admission, who fully understands the reason for removal.

V. The parents and relatives of the children shall be permitted to visit them not oftener than once a week, never more than two at a time, and never on Sunday except by special arrangement made by the General Secretary with the boarding woman.

VI. The General Secretary shall investigate thoroughly, in coöperation with the Committee on Admission, all applications for the admission of children to the care of the Home, and make prompt report thereon to the chairman, or in her absence to some other member, of the Committee.

She shall also maintain relations with parents while their children are in the care of the Home, with the object of

aiding to remove the unsatisfactory conditions that led to the admission of the children; and continue in relation with children and their parents or other relatives after the withdrawal of the children from the care of the Home, with a view to preserving the good influences which it is hoped the Home will have exerted on those under its care.

It shall further be the duty of the General Secretary to investigate families where children may be boarded, and to visit children who are placed in private families; to continue in relation with rejected applicants, with the object of aiding them to improve the conditions which led to application; to meet with the Committee on Admission and Discharge; and to make a report in writing at each monthly meeting of the Trustees.

VII. At the annual meeting, or as soon thereafter as possible, the President shall appoint the Monthly Visitors for the ensuing year, arranged in two lists, those on one list to begin visiting on the first of each month, and those on the other list to begin on the fifteenth, each to visit the homes one month, and report at the next monthly meeting. It shall be the duty of the Visitors, during their term, to visit the boarding-homes with the General Secretary and to advise with her regarding special cases.

VIII. The Standing Committees of the Corporation, to be appointed by the President at the annual meeting, shall be as follows:—

1. A Committee on Admission and Discharge, who, in addition to the duties mentioned above, shall keep a register containing the names, ages, and birthplaces of the children, date of admission and any other information obtained. This Committee shall, with the General Secretary, secure suitable homes for all children needing adoption. This Committee shall consist of eight members, two members retiring and two new members being appointed annually at the discretion of the President.

2. A Committee on Clothing, who shall see that necessary supplies are secured, wherever possible, through friends. Gifts of clothing should be sent to The Avon Home Office, 1000 Massachusetts Avenue.

3. An Executive Committee, who shall have, in the interval between the meetings of the Corporation, all the powers of the Trustees, except as to the expenditure of sums exceeding fifty dollars. This Committee shall report any exercise of its powers at the next meeting of the Corporation for its approval.

4. The chairman of each Committee shall present at the annual meeting a full report, in writing, of the work of the Committee for the preceding year.

5. The President shall be a member *ex officio* of all standing committees.

IX. All bills shall receive the written approval of the Committee or person authorized to make the expenditure before payment by the Treasurer.

X. The Committee of Three for the care of the Permanent Fund shall have the care and custody of all securities and other investments held for the support and maintenance of The Avon Home, and shall collect interest and other income and pay the same to the Treasurer, who shall receipt therefor. They shall make all permanent investments, keep an account thereof and of the income therefrom, and report to the Corporation at the annual meeting, and at such other times as the Corporation may request. They shall rent a box in the vaults of the Harvard Trust Company, which shall be opened only in the presence of two members of said Committee.

THE AVON HOME

OFFICERS FROM THE FOUNDATION

President

MRS. HENRY W. PAINE	1874 to 1887
REV. ANDREW P. PEABODY, D.D.	1887 to 1893
WILLIAM TAGGARD PIPER	1893 to 1911
WILLIAM W. DALLINGER	1913

Vice-President

MRS. HENRY THAYER	1887 to 1888
WILLIAM TAGGARD PIPER	1888 to 1893
OLIVER H. DURRELL	1893 to 1898
WILLIAM M. DAVIS	1899 to 1920

Secretary or Clerk

MISS IRENE F. SANGER	1874 to 1877
MRS. JOHN BARTLETT	1877 to 1886
MISS MARIA MURDOCK	1886 to 1900
MRS. NORTON FOLSOM	1900 to 1902
MRS. NATHAN F. LINCOLN	1902 to 1913
MRS. LIVINGSTON STEBBINS	1913

Treasurer

MRS. J. M. TYLER	1874 to 1877
MISS MARY A. ELLIS	1877 to 1921
STEPHEN E. YOUNG	1921

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